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RE: In the Matter of the Petitions of Armour Independent Telephone Company, Bridgewater-Canistota Independent Telephone Company, Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., Kadoka Telephone Company, Sioux Valley Telephone Company, Union Telephone Company and Vivian Telephone Company for Arbitration Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to Resolve Issues Relating to Interconnections with WWC License LLC. (PUC Dockets TC06-036, 037, 038, 039, 040, 041, 042) , OHE file PUC 6-06.

Dear Counsel:

These dockets have been transferred to this office, pursuant to SDCL 1-26-18.3. I will be handling them.

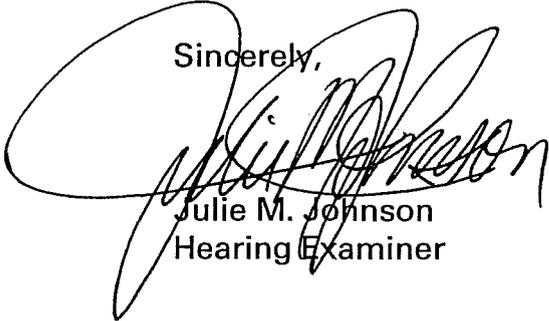
I believe it will be constructive to hold a prehearing conference call to review the current status of the manner and to review the current scheduling order.

Therefore, I have set a prehearing conference call for **Thursday, August 3, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., CDT, 9:00 a.m., MDT**. Please dial the conference operator at **1-800-254-1665** to participate in the call. Cell phones or cordless phones may interfere with the quality of the call.

In the meantime, if there are other matters about which I should know, please feel free to bring them to my attention. My direct line is 773-6850.

Thank you for your assistance in advance!

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julie M. Johnson', is written over the typed name and title.

Julie M. Johnson
Hearing Examiner